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H. RES. 702

Directing the Comptroller General of the United States to submit reports ensuring the effectiveness of Federal programs and amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that certain standing committees of the House hold at least one hearing on each such report that falls within their jurisdiction.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 30, 2009

Mr. REICHERT submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

RESOLUTION

Directing the Comptroller General of the United States to submit reports ensuring the effectiveness of Federal programs and amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that certain standing committees of the House hold at least one hearing on each such report that falls within their jurisdiction.

1 *Resolved*, That (a) the House of Representatives di-
2 rects the Comptroller General to submit to Congress a re-
3 port on the effectiveness of each program of the Federal
4 Government, within two years after the program begins

1 to be implemented, to determine the effectiveness of the
2 program and whether the program is carrying out the in-
3 tent of Congress.

4 (b) Clause 2 of rule XI of the Rules of the House
5 of Representatives is amended by adding at the end the
6 following new paragraph:

7 “(f)(1) Within 30 legislative days after any standing
8 committee receives a report from the Comptroller General
9 respecting the effectiveness of a program within its legisla-
10 tive jurisdiction, that committee shall hold a hearing on
11 the subject matter of that report. If the program is au-
12 thorized for 10 or more years or has an open-ended au-
13 thorization, then, at that hearing, the committee shall de-
14 termine appropriate intervals for additional hearings re-
15 specting the effectiveness of that program.

16 “(2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to the Committee
17 on Appropriations, the Committee on House Administra-
18 tion, the Committee on Rules, and the Committee on
19 Standards of Official Conduct.”.

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